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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director/National Estimates
Assistant Director/Research & Reports**

**SUBJECT: Attached Research Topic List on
the Near East**

1. Attached are three copies of a Research Topic List on the Near East submitted by the External Research Staff, Department of State.

2. This list will be circulated to various interested agencies throughout the government. The list will be revised in accordance with the suggestions and comments of government personnel and will then be distributed to universities, foundations, and private scholars for their consideration.

3. Your comments will be appreciated, if possible by 4 October.

Coordinator

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